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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

TRANSMITTAL OF THE FINAL CERTIFICATION REPORT FOR AREA 9, PHASE I

- References:
1. Letter, DOE-0683-02, J. Reising to J. Saric and T. Schneider, "Transmittal of Responses to the United States Environmental Protection Agency and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Comments on the Draft Certification Report for Area 9, Phase I," dated September 18, 2002
 2. Letter, T. Schneider to J. Reising, "RTCs on the Draft Certification Report for Area 9, Phase I," dated September 27, 2002

Enclosed for your approval is the final Certification Report for Area 9, Phase I (A9PI) completing the certification process outlined in the Sitewide Excavation Plan and Certification Design Letter. The comment responses, which were approved by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), per the above reference, and verbally by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) in the October 22, 2002 Weekly Conference Call, have been incorporated into this final version of the Certification Report. A clarification was also made to Section 5.1.2, Baseline Confirmation, which explains why statistics could not be performed on the cesium-137 data set and are viewed as not necessary as the single detected result was well below the off-property final remediation level.

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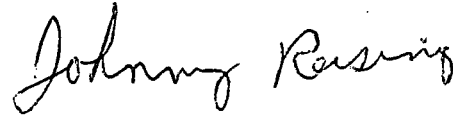
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If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Robert Janke at
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Sincerely,



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